

FISCAL NOTE

HB 721 - SB 778

March 12, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prevents municipal courts from hearing certain misdemeanor cases unless the language of the state law for the criminal offense is a fine of \$50 or less, or confinement for a period of thirty days or less (or both) or if the maximum penalty prescribed by municipal law is not in excess of \$50.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – There will be a shift in revenues and expenditures from the city to the county due to municipal courts hearing fewer cases. The amount of such shift is estimated to exceed \$100,000 statewide.

Assumption:

- Municipal courts would be authorized to hear fewer cases. This would result in a shift of local government revenues and expenditures from cities to counties.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director